

# School Cleaning and Disinfecting

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All schools should increase their vigilance in cleaning hard surfaces that have that re classified as frequently/common touch surfaces. This is the extra step of disinfecting these surfaces after they have been cleaned/sanitized, during the normal cleaning procedures used by our schools. The Center for Disease Control (CDC) recommends disinfecting frequently touched surfaces like water fountains, bathroom fixtures, door knobs, hand rails, elevator buttons, cafeteria tables and other hard surfaces with frequent hand contact. The district has always recommended disinfecting these surfaces in addition to the normal cleaning

## Sanitizing and Disinfecting

**Sanitizers:** Are used to reduce, but not necessarily eliminate, microorganisms from the inanimate environment to levels considered safe. These are our normal everyday cleaning products including bathroom cleaners, floor cleaners and general detergents used in classrooms. This also includes germicidal products used to clean toilet rooms, locker rooms and clinic areas etc.

**Disinfectants:** Are used on hard, inanimate surfaces and objects to destroy or irreversibly inactivate infectious fungi and bacteria. The disinfectant product selected by the district for use has been is ZEP Spirit II.

For cleaning to be effective against the Coronavirus (or other viruses or bacteria) we should sanitize with our normal cleaning products and then disinfect with the ZEP Spirit II disinfectant on the commonly touched surfaces.

## Daily Cleaning

The following are minimum requirements for cleaning of district schools. These are excerpts from the State Requirements for Educational Facilities (SREF). Occupied facilities shall be cleaned and serviced in accordance with an established schedule and prescribed methods:

Area	Clean & Sanitize	Disinfect
Student-occupied areas, including interior places of assembly, classrooms, corridors, and all other areas designed for occupancy by more than two (2) persons	Daily	Daily Frequently touched surfaces like water fountains, bathroom fixtures, door knobs, hand rails, elevator buttons, cafeteria tables and other hard surfaces with frequent hand contact. Food contact surfaces in cafeterias or other areas must be rinsed off after application.
Administrative and faculty offices designed for single or double occupancy	Once per Week	Daily Frequently touched surfaces.
Toilet rooms, shower and locker rooms, drinking water fountains, and clinics	Daily	Daily Frequently touched surfaces. Drinking water fountains are rinsed or flushed with plain water after disinfection.
Food service areas are cleaned and sanitized	Daily	Daily Frequently touched surfaces.
Floor drains are sanitized and flushed with water.	Once per Day	NA